

## O'DONNELL & CO.

### IN OUR Dry Goods Department

Will be found a complete stock of Dress Goods, Autumn Cloths, Astrakhans, Outings, Table Damask, etc.

Our line of All-Wool Novelty Suitings at 25c. per Yard  
Are values that cannot be duplicated elsewhere. Ask to see them.

A CORSET is an article that every lady wants the greatest amount of comfort out of for the least money, and we believe

#### THE ARMORSIDE

supplies the need. We guarantee this corset for four months. Any customer not being satisfied with it can have their money refunded at the expiration of that time.

PRICE \$1 PER PAIR.

#### Our Notion Stock

Is supplied with a full assortment of Hosiery, Gloves, Ribbons, Laces, Handkerchiefs and Toilet Articles.

Our Ladies' Kid Gloves, in black and colors, every pair warranted, at \$1,

Is one of the principle attractions of this department. We have handled this glove for many years and the number returned would not exceed one per cent.

#### Blankets, Capes and Cloaks.

The present state of the weather hardly suggests the necessity of these articles, but we are liable to have a sudden change and it is well to be prepared. We are still sole agents for the celebrated

#### Tar Heel Blankets,

And having made our contracts with the mill before the tariff went into effect, we are prepared to sell them at last year's prices, namely:

10-4 \$3.90. 11-4 \$4.65, 12-4 \$5.40.

Ask your neighbor who bought these goods from us last year what he thinks of them and act on his judgment.

Are going to be largely worn this season, and for popular prices we believe we have the largest stock that ever came to Sumter. Prices from

50c. to \$8.

Our line of Misses' and Children's Jackets in medium weights for early fall, from \$1.25 to \$2 are exceptionally good values.

#### Shoes, Shoes, Shoes.

Every man, woman, boy and girl must have a pair of shoes before the cold weather strikes them, and we know of no place where their wants can be better supplied than with us. Judging from the number of new shoe stores that are being opened one gets the impression that there are large profits in this line, but not so with us. Nearly all our shoes are bought for Net Cash and sold on that basis, our customers getting the benefit of the discounts.

### O'DONNELL & CO.

#### THINGS WORTH KNOWING.

That we can sell you an

All Wool, Well Made Suit at \$5.

Above goods in blue, black or fancy Cheviots.

That we can sell you all wool black

Clay Worsted Suit at \$7.50.

In sack or frock suits.

Remember and bear in mind that

#### Our Stock of Fine Clothing

Surpasses all previous seasons, and they were purchased early in May, and we can

Save You the Advance in Price.

You should see our line of

#### Tailor-Made Trousers

— AT —

\$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50, \$5, \$6, \$7, \$7.50.

You cannot resist them, they are too pretty.

We Handle Earle & Wilson's Goods, and we will keep you posted on the correct styles in Collars and Cuffs.

Fast black and tan 1-1/2 Hose.....	5c.	linen bosom at .....	50c
Linen Collars.....	5c.	(A bargain.)	
Linen Cuffs.....	15c.	Job lot Boys' Knee Pants, 50c.	
All wool Underwear (sample).....	25c.	kind, at.....	25c.
Job lot Suspenders, worth 25c.	10c.	All wool Knee Pants (a dandy,	
now.....	10c.	worth 75c).....	40c.
Mother's Friend Shirt Waist.....	50c.	Scriven's P. E. S. Drawers, all	
The Best Unlaundered Shirt.....		sizes, first grade.....	\$1.00.

Our Stock is complete. Keep your eye on us for prices.

### BROWN, CUTTING & DELGAR,

CLOTHIERS AND FURNISHERS,

SUMTER

S. C.

### READ, FARMERS!

#### An Open Letter to the Farmers.

Fully Prepared for the Fall Trade in Every Respect.

In our long experience in merchandising we have never procured goods in every line more satisfactory with a view to low and suitable prices than during our recent visit North. We allowed no opportunity looking to this most important end to pass us. These bargains we pledge ourselves to give our customers the full benefit of, feeling sure that we could not give more practical shape to our sense of sympathy and gratitude to our country friends. We know by experience the special wants of our farmers, whose friendship we think we have a peculiar right in claiming, inasmuch as our firm it was which was the pioneer in this section to operate first with the various farmer alliances, and that our dealings with these gentlemen were most satisfactory in every particular and were appreciated is clearly evinced by the present enormous increased volume of our business. We take much pride in this and are determined by continued conscientious dealing, and the lowest possible prices to retain our hard-earned popularity. Our store is frequently literally packed with customers during the busy season, and this fact can be verified by a visit, and certainly most emphatically sustains the correctness of our statement.

We have not, of course, the space to lay before the public all our offering stock, but can only refer to a limited portion. Probably much that is omitted will be found even more inviting.

### O'DONNELL & CO.,

SUMTER, S. C.

We Are Sole Agents for the H. C. Godman Company, of Columbus, Ohio.

Makers of Women's and Children's Shoes, And we can furnish innumerable testimonials of ladies who are wearing the Godman \$1.50 shoes with as much comfort and service as some other makes for which they had been paying \$2 and more. If your little girl can kick out her shoes in two or three months try a pair of the

Godman at \$1

And we feel assured she will get five or six months kicking out of them. Our prices on these commence at 50c in 4 to 8.

For Men's Wear Our REYNOLD'S SHOE

Has stood the test for several years and it is our intention to retain their agency so long as they keep their goods up to their present standard of merit. It sometimes happens that even in a shoe of this grade a pair may be found deficient, but in every such case we satisfy the customer by giving a new pair of shoes or making due allowance.

OUR

#### Clothing Department.

This is a kind of hobby with us. We cannot resist the temptation of buying, no matter what the quantity may be if the styles and prices are right, and it was our good fortune to secure a line of about fifteen styles of

#### All Wool Cheviots and Cassimeres

That were made by a merchant tailoring establishment to sell from \$12.50 to \$15, but we bought them to sell

From \$7 to \$8.50.

You have to see these goods to appreciate them. We also got in connection with this line of goods a lot of light-weight

#### Kersey and Beaver Overcoats

That were manufactured to sell from \$12.50 to \$20. Our price \$10 to \$12.50.

These are merely a few of the attractions of our clothing stock. You can find anything from a boy's knee pants suit at 50c to a man's suit at \$20.

#### HATS FOR MEN AND BOYS.

In this connection we will only add that we are as well prepared to supply your wants as we have ever been, and that is saying a great deal, for we feel that our hat department has done more towards advertising our business than any other. We are carrying our usual line of

Harness and Saddlery, Hardware, Tinware, Crockery, Glassware and Groceries.

We are exclusive agents for the Milbourne mills of Philadelphia and it would be an injustice to them to terminate this article without saying a word about their flour.

We Have Sold 3,000 Barrels of their goods in the past year and the best evidence of their merit is that we have never had a package returned or complaint made. We have arranged with the mill to deliver this flour in any part of the county in 5 barrel lots on a basis of Sumter car load rates.

Mr. Gibson is associated with us in the cotton business and will be pleased to see his old friends.

### O'DONNELL & CO.

J. L. WILSON,  
Notary Public and  
Insurance Agent.

Will place Fire Insurance in THE PALATINE INSURANCE COMPANY, of England and the SUN MUTUAL, of New Orleans. Also represent THE PRUDENTIAL Life Insurance Company of America, one of the strongest and best companies. Call on me before taking out your insurance. OFFICE AT TOBACCO WAREHOUSE, MANNING, S. C.

#### REGISTRATION NOTICE.

The State of South Carolina.  
CLARENDON COUNTY.

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with the Act of the General Assembly, the books for the registration of all legally qualified voters, between the hours of 9 o'clock, a. m., and 3 o'clock, p. m., on the first Monday of each month and for three successive days, until thirty days before the next general election. Minors who shall become of age during that period of thirty days, shall be entitled to registration before the books are closed, if otherwise qualified.

G. T. WORSHAM,  
S. G. GRIFFIN,  
E. D. HODGE,  
Supervisors of Registration.  
Manning, S. C., January 1st 1897.

#### To Consumers of Lager Beer:

The Germania Brewing Company, of Charleston, S. C., have made arrangements with the South Carolina State authorities by which they are enabled to fill orders from consumers for shipments of beer in any quantity at the following prices:

Pints, patent stopper, 60c. per dozen.  
Four dozen pints in crate, \$2.50 per crate.  
Eight-kegs, \$1.35.  
Quarter-kegs, \$2.25.  
Half-barrel, \$4.50.  
Exports, pints, ten dozen in barrel, \$9.

It will be necessary for consumers or parties ordering, to state that the beer is for private consumption. We offer special rates for these shipments. This beer is guaranteed pure, made of the choicest hops and malt, and is recommended by the medical fraternity. Send to us for a trial order.

GERMANIA  
Brewing Company,  
Charleston, S. C.

WHEN YOU COME  
TO TOWN CALL AT  
WELLS'  
SHAVING SALOON

Which is fitted up with an eye to the comfort of his customers.

HAIR-CUTTING  
IN ALL STYLES,  
SHAVING AND  
SHAMPOOING  
Done with neatness and dispatch.

A cordial invitation is extended.  
J. L. WELLS.

SOUTHERN FRUIT CO.  
W. H. MIX-ON, Manager.

#### FRUIT & PRODUCE.

Mail Orders Solicited and Promptly Filled.

—217 EAST BAY,—  
Charleston, S. C.

#### THE Bank of Manning, MANNING, S. C.

Transacts a general banking business.

Prompt and special attention given to depositors residing out of town.

Deposits solicited.

All collections have prompt attention.

Business hours from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

JOSEPH SPROTT,  
A. LEVI,  
President.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

M. LEVI, S. A. RIGBY,  
J. W. McLEOD, W. E. BROWN,  
S. M. NIXSEN, JOSEPH SPROTT,  
A. LEVI.

Wm. E. HOLMES & CO.

—200 EAST BAY,—

Charleston, S. C.

DEALERS IN

PAINTS, OILS, GLASS,

VARNISH and BRUSHES

Lanterns, Tar Paper

and Building Paper.

Headquarters for the Celebrated  
Palmetto Brand of Cylinder, Planing  
Mill, and Engine Oils and Greases.

#### Notice.

OFFICE OF COUNTY SUPERVISOR,  
CLARENDON COUNTY,  
MANNING, S. C., Sept. 1, 1897.

In accordance with Section 400, General Statutes, it is unlawful for persons to engage in or offer for sale any pistol, rifle, cartridges less than .45 calibre, or metal knuckles, without first having obtained a license therefor.

Now, therefore, take notice: Any person found dealing in pistols, cartridges, or knuckles without first having paid to the County twenty-five dollars for a license will be prosecuted, and if convicted, they shall be punished by a fine not over \$500, or imprisoned not more than one year or both at the court's discretion.

T. C. OWENS,  
Supervisor, C. C.

#### SOLID SHOT FOR SHIPS

War Vessels in Florida Waters  
Will Not Be Trifled With.

#### PENSACOLA HARBOR IS PATROLLED

Cruiser Montgomery Trying to Prevent  
the Departure of Filibusters for Cuba.  
Unless Suspected Schooners Stop When  
Ordered They Will Be Fired Upon—Ex-  
pedition Now Being Equipped.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Dec. 20.—There was considerable activity on board the United States steamer Montgomery, owing to information having reached her commander that several suspected filibusters were in the harbor. Consequently the cruiser started fires and made preparations for getting under way at a moment's notice. The crew of the cruiser worked in conjunction with the revenue cutter Penrose. Late in the afternoon the Montgomery put a squad of armed men, in charge of an officer, on board the Penrose, and they will be relieved every 24 hours until further developments. The Montgomery also fitted out several of her boats with guns, ammunition and armed crews to patrol the harbor, while the Penrose did duty outside, around the Florida coast. At the Montgomery have orders to fire two blank charges to bring to any suspected vessel, and upon her neglecting to stop, a third shot, this time a loaded shell, is to be fired.

The Somers N. Smith, a pilot boat, a vessel called the Britannia and a schooner are loading here under official supervision. The Smith is said to have run several successful expeditions in the past, having escaped the Montgomery once, and as she came in from sea on Thursday night and has been taking on board all day long a cargo of some description, an unusual proceeding for a pilot boat, the Montgomery intended to follow her as soon as she gets under way.

The Britannia and the schooner have also been taking a cargo of boxes, supposed to be ammunition, etc., on board, and it is reported that the Montgomery is now on the outside bar in order to ship the munitions at sea. It will thus be seen that a well organized expedition to Cuba is apparently being equipped here.

#### THE SPANISH ARE HAPPY.

Rejoicing Over the Establishment of  
Peace in Philippine Islands.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—A letter written by one of the foremost diplomats in Spain and one, moreover, in the entire confidence of the government and consequently in a position to speak officially, destroys some of the arguments that have been used since the time during the past few days by those in opposition to the Liberal ministry.

Speaking for this ministry, the writer points out irrefutably that Mr. McKinley's message cannot be construed as attacking the honor of the Spanish army, as General Weyler and his friends would like to make the public believe. In the second place, General Weyler was not recalled under pressure from the United States, as by the express wish of the queen regent, his recall having been decided upon during the late Premier Canovas' lifetime. In the third place, to a nation as a whole appears it to be the more strongly in favor of the government than has been the case in Spain for a long time.

Every one is eager to have done with the Cuban question, and at this very moment the city is decorated and illuminated as a sign of rejoicing over the establishment of peace in the Philippines, while on every hand every one wishes that the next bit of good news may be of a lasting peace in Cuba.

#### "Christian Science" Blamed.

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 20.—After the coroner's inquest into the death of Clara Kirby, the baby girl who died of malignant diphtheria, while her parents, her father, Frank Kirby, was held under \$500 bail to answer a charge of criminal neglect. William F. Randall, the Philadelphia "Faith Physician," was held, too, as an accessory. Kirby furnished bail and was released by Justice Schmitz for a long time.

#### Once Mrs. Grant's Fiance.

St. Louis, Dec. 20.—Alfred Sanford, who was once engaged to wed Julia Dent, now General Grant's widow, is a patient at the city hospital. He is suffering from pneumonia, and Superintendent Sutter considers his recovery doubtful. For two years after the war broke out Sanford piloted the famous confederate steamer Fred Kennett. Then he went over to the union side and served the remaining two years.

#### Five Put Under Furnaces.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 20.—Five have been put under the furnaces in the Cohansey, Cumberland Moore-Jones windowless factories near here, and it is expected that the works will start up in a week or two, probably on Jan. 2. It is expected that 2,000 persons now idle will be given employment.

#### Clay's Child Wife Delays.

VALLEY VIEW, Ky., Dec. 20.—General Cassius M. Clay's young wife Dora is not returned to him as she promised to do, and as she is the wife of her father, Gail Richardson, Young Mrs. Clay declined to say when she would return to Whitehall.

#### Stephen R. Sturges Dead.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Stephen Buckingham Sturges, one of the founders of the Northwest National bank of Chicago, is dead at his home in Brooklyn of apoplexy, aged 70 years.

#### Windowglass Men Get Work.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 20.—An Alexandria, Ind., special to The Times-Star says: The windowglass factories here have resumed operations, giving employment to \$1,200 men.

#### Cargo of Tobacco From Cuba.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The Ward line steamer Segurana, which arrived from Havana, brings 252 bales of leaf tobacco.

#### Coming Fisheries Congress.

TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 20.—Great national interest is awakening in the forthcoming fisheries congress, to be held at Tampa on Jan. 19. The fish commission at Washington will attend, also the commissioners from each state.

#### Took an Overdose of Poison.

ATLANTA, Dec. 20.—T. D. Oliver, representative in the lower branch of the general assembly from Burke county, is thought to be dying at the Grady hospital from an accidental overdose of morphine.

#### Weavers Go on Strike.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The weavers at the German looms in the Strange company's mills, in Patterson, N. J., are on strike against a reduction in wages.

#### MANY GROWERS MEET

Cotton Men of Seven States in  
Session at the Bluff City.

#### LANE TELLS WHY PRICE IS SO LOW

Alabama Makes a Strong Plea in Favor  
of Reducing the Acreage—Says There is  
Less Chance For Speculation in Fu-  
tures When Crops Are Small—Presents  
Statistics in Support of His Position.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 20.—The American Cotton Growers' Protective association was called to order at 10 p. m. by President Hector D. Lane of Athens, Ala. Many delegates were present, including prominent planters from Arkansas, Tennessee, Texas, Alabama, Louisiana, Georgia and Mississippi. Immediately after the delegates were called to order President Lane delivered an address in which he explained why the convention had been called.

"Cotton today is selling at less than 8 cents," he said, "and this means the insignificant sum of 10 cents a day for the labor of the man who is distinctively the cotton grower. I make this statement deliberately and defy a successful contradiction."

President Lane made a strong plea for a reduction of the cotton acreage, saying that overproduction fosters manipulation. By destroying the annual surplus the law of supply and demand will prevail; competition will intervene and the cost of the production of this commodity, which is a fair standard of its value, will be the basis of its price mark.

Continuing, Mr. Lane said: "Under prevailing conditions the product of our toil is no longer adequate to our subsistence. Prevailing prices pay for the cost of production. With a surplus of several millions annually, which is an able conditor of the cotton 'bear,' the law of supply and demand has been displaced and in its stead interposes the result obtained by this commercial fact and standard artist."

"Statistics show that there has been a great falling off in speculative gambling in cotton futures in the last several years, consequent upon the small crops, for the visible supply diminished the power of manipulation."

After the president had delivered his address the usual committees were appointed and the morning session was devoted to the reception of delegates and to the discussion of the permanent officers were elected.

Chairman, Hector D. Lane of Alabama; secretary, J. O. Cheatham, Tennessee; assistant secretary, Sol Cohen, Mississippi.

A committee on resolutions consisting of two delegates from each state was appointed.

The meeting then adjourned until 3 o'clock, and when it reconvened the committee on resolutions reported advocating a decrease in acreage, a banishment of the one crop idea and making a strong plea for the diversification of products.

Among the more prominent delegates present are the following: Governor Eagle of Arkansas; J. W. Pratt, Huntsville, Ala.; Captain L. W. Levesque, Arkansas; Captain Jerome Hill, St. Louis; Colonel W. W. Stone, ex-auditor of Mississippi, and McNeil Bond, Tennessee.

The sessions of the convention are being held in the convention hall of the Peabody hotel. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, this vicinity having been visited by a severe cold storm which later turned into a cold rain, the attendance is a representative one.

#### Slayer Stoned and Sentenced.

TUSCALOOSA, Ala., Dec. 20.—The jury in the case of A. Stoneking, charged with killing J. G. Lallande, brought in a verdict of guilty, and fixed his punishment at ten years in the penitentiary. Stoneking and Lallande were collectors on the Montgomery extension of the Mobile and Ohio railroad. A few months since, while in Tuscaloosa, they had a falling out in a saloon, and Lallande refused to drink with Stoneking. Stoneking went out for a pistol and returning renewed the quarrel, shooting Lallande to death.

#### Rapier Still Refuses to Resign.

MOBILE, Dec. 20.—Second Assistant Postmaster General Shallenbarger was here to try to get Postmaster Rapier to surrender the office to the new appointee, Barker. Rapier answered that he is standing as an American citizen for the enforcement of the law of the land, and that he has his legal rights.

Right, he has his legal rights for enforcement. Rapier said that under the law Mr. Barker is not postmaster until confirmed by the senate, Rapier's removal not having been effected in due form as per statute 8830.

#### Adolph Luetger a Forger?

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Four notes for \$1,000 each, held by ex-Judge Vincent, formerly counsel for Adolph L. Luetger and given by the big sausage maker to Judge Vincent for legal services, are said to bear forged indorsements. The notes are signed by Luetger and indorsed with the name of Paul H. Jaschek, a plumber and real estate owner. Jaschek denies emphatically that the indorsements are his. Judge Vincent is said to have advanced Luetger \$1,000 in cash on the strength of the four notes.

#### Explosion Fatal to Fowl.

REPTON, Ala., Dec. 20.—On the Bear creek logging road a locomotive exploded, killing the engineer, John O'Connor; the fireman, Jack Clippner, and two trainmen, John Johnson and Henry Vickery. The explosion was caused by defective fires.

#### Speculation Causes Suicide.

WARSAW, Ind., Dec. 20.—Edward P. Moon committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid. Moon was for many years a very wealthy merchant here, but lost his money in grain speculation.

#### Killed by Bite of a Kitten.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 20.—Professor A. A. Robinson of Guilford